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EVALUATING HEATING DEVICE)
AND PATTERN FORMING)
METHOD)
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Sir:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the Examiner's attention the documents listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents were previously submitted, or cited by the Examiner in a prior application—Application No. 10/189,480, filed July 8, 2002, Application No. 09/734,924, filed December 13, 2000, or Application No. 09/345,749 filed July 1, 1999, upon which Applicants rely for the benefits provided in 35 U.S.C. § 120. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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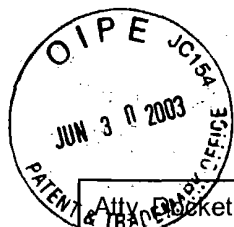
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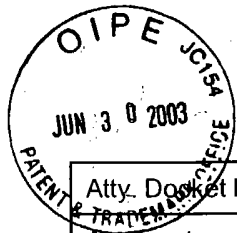


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